


		NTSB ID: DCA05RA033		Aircraft Registration Number: EX-037	
		Occurrence Date: 02/03/2005		Most Critical Injury: Fatal	
		Occurrence Type: Accident		Investigated By:	
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place Kabul		State	Zip Code	Local Time	Time Zone
Airport Proximity:		Distance From Landing Facility:		Direction From Airport:	
Aircraft Information Summary					
Aircraft Manufacturer Boeing		Model/Series 737-200		Type of Aircraft	
Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>On February 3, 2005, at about 1050 UTC, Kam Air Flight 904, a Boeing 737-242, registered in Kyrgyzstan as EX-037, was reported missing during a flight from Herat to Kabul, Afghanistan, during conditions of extremely low visibility in the area surrounding Kabul International Airport. It was subsequently located on the top of Chaperi Ghar, an 11,000-foot mountain about 20 miles east southeast of the airport, two days after its disappearance. None of the 104 people on board survived. Kam Air is a company in Kyrgyzstan serving Afghanistan air travel, and the airplane was registered in Kyrgyzstan. It was operated by Phoenix Aviation, headquartered in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and there were citizens from Afghanistan, Italy, Turkey, Canada, Iran, and the United States on board. Some of the victims were associated with various humanitarian aid missions helping to rebuild Afghanistan.</p> <p>The accident flight crew consisted of a captain, first officer, an engineer, and three cabin attendants. According to the operators records the flight crew had been on duty at the time of the accident for 7 hours. According to air traffic control interviews, the flight was uneventful until the aircraft disappeared from radar and communications were lost. The flight crew did not report any failures, malfunctions, or concerns to either the Bagram Approach controller or the Kabul tower controller.</p> <p>The Safety Board investigation team sent to Afghanistan consisted of a US Accredited Representative and investigators in the specialties of flightcrew operations, aircraft systems and aircraft structures. Other governments represented were Italy, Turkey, and Kyrgyzstan. Representatives of Kam Air and Phoenix Aviation, also participated.</p> <p>The aircraft struck a ridgeline on an easterly heading near the crest of the mountain about 50 feet down from the very top. The most prominent and recognizable piece of wreckage present was the vertical stabilizer and a small portion of the rear fuselage. Within a 200 foot circle, investigators identified portions of both engines, both wings, the left main landing gear assembly, many aft galley components, the horizontal stabilizer, personal effects, and much miscellaneous debris.</p> <p>The flight data recorder was found almost immediately, although the cockpit voice recorder has not been located. The FDR eventually yielded no useful data.</p> <p>The investigation is under the jurisdiction of the Government of Afghanistan. Further information may be obtained from:</p> <p>Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism Civil Aviation Operations Ansari Watt P.O. Box 165</p>					
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Landing Facility/Approach Information					
Airport Name	Airport ID:	Airport Elevation Ft. MSL	Runway Used	Runway Length	Runway Width
Runway Surface Type:					
Runway Surface Condition:					
Type Instrument Approach:					
VFR Approach/Landing:					
Aircraft Information					
Aircraft Manufacturer Boeing		Model/Series 737-200		Serial Number	
Airworthiness Certificate(s):					
Landing Gear Type:					
Homebuilt Aircraft?	Number of Seats:	Certified Max Gross Wt.	LBS	Number of Engines:	
Engine Type:	Engine Manufacturer:	Model/Series:	Rated Power:		
- Aircraft Inspection Information					
Type of Last Inspection	Date of Last Inspection	Time Since Last Inspection Hours	Airframe Total Time Hours		
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information					
ELT Installed?	ELT Operated?	ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site?			
Owner/Operator Information					
Registered Aircraft Owner		Street Address			
		City	State	Zip Code	
Operator of Aircraft Phoenix Aviation		Street Address			
		City	State	Zip Code	
Operator Does Business As: Kan Airlines			Operator Designator Code:		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held: None					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):					
Operating Certificate:			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Non-U.S., Commercial					
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Scheduled; Domestic; Passenger Only					
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Weather Information					
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation <div style="text-align: center;">Ft. MSL</div>	WOF Distance From Accident Site <div style="text-align: center;">NM</div>	Direction From Accident Site <div style="text-align: center;">Deg. Mag.</div>
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition:			Ft. AGL	Condition of Light:	
Lowest Ceiling:			Ft. AGL	Visibility: SM	Altimeter: "Hg
Temperature: °C	Dew Point: °C	Wind Direction:		Density Altitude: Ft.	
Wind Speed:	Gusts:	Weather Conditions at Accident Site:			
Visibility (RVR): Ft.	Visibility (RVV) SM	Intensity of Precipitation:			
Restrictions to Visibility:					
Type of Precipitation:					

Accident Information					
Aircraft Damage: Destroyed		Aircraft Fire:		Aircraft Explosion	
Classification:					
- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL
First Pilot	1				1
Second Pilot	1				1
Student Pilot					
Flight Instructor					
Check Pilot					
Flight Engineer					
Cabin Attendants	6				6
Other Crew					
Passengers	96				96
- TOTAL ABOARD -	104				104
Other Ground					
- GRAND TOTAL -	104				104

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Administrative Information		
<p>Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)</p> <p>Robert P. Benzon</p>		
<p>Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation:</p> <p>Anthony James AAI-100 Washington DC</p>		
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